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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicants hereby call the following copending and commonly assigned U.S. patent applications to the Examiner's attention:

- U.S. Patent Publication No. 10/344,010 to TSUCHIDA et al., published September 18, 2003;
- U.S. Patent Application No. 10/732,455 to MATSUI et al., filed December 11, 2003 and entitled "Sheet Metal Equipment Sales Method and System Therefor";
- U.S. Patent Application No. 10/484,815 to TSUCHIDA et al., filed January 30, 2004, and entitled "Outsourcing Method and System for Sheet Metal Processing Industry"; and

U.S. Patent Application No. 09/807,965 to TAMURA et al., filed April 26, 2001 and entitled "Sales Support System".

In accordance with 37 C.F.R.? 1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned applications are attached hereto. However, the Examiner is requested to review the file wrappers of the U.S. patent applications at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Of course, if for any reason the Examiner cannot locate the applications, Applicants will provide any requested materials, if possible.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted, Yukio FUKUI et al.

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